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ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

High HEAVEN *to* GRACIOUS ENDS *directs the* STORM!

ACCOMACK, *October* 1776.

THE perſon to whom the encloſed extraordinary letter is addreſſed, having permiſſion from the writer to make what uſe thereof he pleaſes, preſents his compliments to the printer, and begs the favour of him to inſert it in his Gazette for the amuſement of the publick. Money is ſent for the printer's trouble.

SIR, *Sept.* 27, 1776.

IN your father's time, after mr. Bagge I was pleaſed to give me his plantation near town, mr. Ironmonger and he applied to me for an acre of that land for the uſe of that mill, half of which I expect now belongs to you. I told them, as they were both my very intimate friends, I would fulfil mr. Bagge's intention: I would not ſell, but give them an acre, on condition of being hopper free. Your father ſoon afterwards left us. The only thanks I have ever received yet from his ſon was to vote againſt me. Don't tell me, mr. Bonnivell, of my neighbour. They ſay you ought to paſs your neighbours; but I ſay, a friend is nearer than a brother. Juſt ſo your uncle Keely has induced Babel Bud to vote againſt me. Mr. Bonnivell, I am entitled to your vote, and alſo to Babel Bud's. If this plain letter don't offend you, you will keep it to yourſelf. If it ſhould happen to affront you, make what uſe of it you pleaſe; but I wiſh you would ſhow it to Babel Bud. I was your father's friend, and loved him, and he loved me. I am, your humble ſervant, JAMES HENRY.

To the PUBLICK.

UNDERSTANDING that a letter of mine is to appear in this week's Gazette, I beg the reader to be informed, that the perſon to whom it is addreſſed is a ſoldier; that, at that time, I looked upon myſelf as having received a publick affront from the officer who commanded the detachment, and I had heard this young man had entered warmly into the ſubject which I conſidered as an affront. When I wrote the above letter, I had not the remoteſt expectation of his vote; if I had, my diſappointment was ſure. I was told this young man was with difficulty reſtrained from inſulting me on the day of election. I know no reaſon, but the warmth with which he entered into his captain's prejudices. My deſign in writing was, to convince him how ungenerous it was in one of his father's children to join ſo warmly in his captain's views in inſulting a man who had uniformly been a friend to his father's family.

What motives induced the publication, let the publick determine.

A few active popular men, who for a long time have induſtriouſly endeavoured to make me ſuſpected at home, I preſume, have forwarded this letter to the preſs, to raiſe ſuſpicions of me in the publick, which they have been unable to excite at home; for I find the very captain, of whoſe unpoliteneſs I complain, brought this letter over.

The deciſive majority of our people, who ſent me to repreſent them notwithſtanding a very active and determined oppoſition, ought, in my opinion, to have ſilenced my opponents, eſpecially as they well knew I declined the moſt preſſing importunity of my friends, till a few days before the election.

Whether this extraordinary letter as they pleaſe to call it, may be conſtrued as a mark of folly or indiſcretion in me, or of ungenerous and unworthy treatment on the other ſide, with great defence to the publick opinion, is ſubmitted by

JAMES HENRY.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 22, 1776.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

For SALE,

SIX hundred and twenty five acres of land in *Amelia*, in good order for cropping, which will produce tobacco, grain, or any other article, equal to any land in that county; and there is ſufficient of it clear to work about 10 hands.---One thouſand and fifty acres of well timbered land in *Cheſterfield*, within 4 miles of *Peterſburg* and 6 of the *Glebe*, whoſe appearance ſhows well for tobacco or grain of any kind, and has a grant for a mill with it on a never-failing ſtream.---About 1200 acres, being the plantation on which I live, known by the name of *Bloomſbury*, the greater part of it equal to any land in the colony, whereupon are ſeveral fine fiſhing places, and it is choice for fowling. There is a dwelling-houſe and out-houſes fit for the reception of a family, and has enough of it clear to employ 15 hands; it is midway between the *Glebe* and *Peterſburg*.---Alſo a ſaw and griſt mill with about 10 acres of land on *Swift* creek, 3 miles from *Peterſburg*.---Any perſon deſirous to treat for any of the above lands may know the terms by applying to me at *Bloomſbury*.

‖ JOHN RANDOLPH.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 15, 1776.

ON *Thurſday* the 21ſt inſtant will be leaſed to the higheſt bidder, for the term of ſix years, the tenement in this city lately occupied by capt. *Edmund Dickinſon*.

1‖ BENJAMIN WELDON.

BROKE out of *Brunſwick* county jail, the 22d of *September* laſt, WILL, a negro fellow, of a yellow complexion, about 28 years old, about 5 feet 4 or 6 inches high, and I believe has a ſcar on his noſe, occaſioned by a blow; had on a *Virginia* cotton ſhirt, old breeches, and a jacket without ſleeves, but I have reaſon to believe he has now other clothes, that he he has changed his name, and got a forged paſs. I imagine he is either lurking about *Hampton*, or gone to *Pittſylvania* or *Bedford*. If he ſhould be taken up and committed to any jail, the keeper is requeſted to ſecure him well with irons, as he is a great rogue, and will eſcape if poſſible. Whoever apprehends the ſaid fellow, and ſecures him ſo as he may be had again, ſhall have 40s. reward, and all reaſonable expenſes.

‖ GEORGE WALKER.

To be RENTED to the higheſt bidder, on Monday *the 25th inſtant* (November) *being* Middleſex *court day*,

THE houſes and lots in the town of *Urbanna* lately occupied by mr. *Charles Neilſon*, whereon is a very commodious dwelling-houſe, and a number of neceſſary out-houſes; the whole completely encloſed with paling and railing, and a good garden. Bond and ſecurity will be required by

2‖ The COMMISSIONERS.

For SALE,

TWO very valuable TRACTS of LAND in *Cumberland* county, upon which are good improvements; alſo 1500 acres on *Dan* river, in *North Carolina*. For terms apply to

2‖ JOHN MAYO.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, on the 20th of December, *at the plantation whereon mr.* Robert Newſum *lately lived*,

THE remaining part of his perſonal eſtate, conſiſting of houſehold and kitchen furniture, corn, fodder, utenſils of huſbandry, work houſes, oxen, &c. Alſo two lots of land lying in the town of *Peterſburg*, with good buildings thereon. Twelve months credit will be allowed for all ſums above 40s. the purchaſer giving bond and ſecurity for punctual payment, or to carry intereſt from the date in caſe of failure on the day of payment. The plantation, as formerly advertiſed, which has every convenience in its ſituation, buildings, &c. is ſtill for ſale, on long credit, by

The EXECUTORS.

To be RENTED (*by virtue of a leaſe*) *for one year, and to be entered upon next New Year's day*,

THE very valuable plantation belonging to mr. *Thomas Wills* lying in *Mulberry Iſland*, *Warwick* county. The plantation, which is in order for cropping, is exceeding good for corn, wheat, or tobacco, and has a very good apple orchard thereon. Alſo the crop of corn and fodder now on the ſaid plantation will be ſold. Whoever is inclinable either to rent the land, or purchaſe the crop, may know the terms by applying to capt. *William Dudley* near the premiſes, or to the ſubſcriber in *King & Queen*.

2‖ WILLIS WILLS.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber, baker near the *Capitol* in *Williamſburg*, the 15th of *September* laſt, a dark bay horſe 13 hands high, with a roached mane and ſwitch tail, paces, trots, and gallops, and brauded on the near buttock M P. Alſo a bright bay horſe 5 years old, 14 hands high, has a remarkable blaze much reſembling the ſhape of a gun, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, ſeveral ſaddle ſpots, paces ſlow, trots and gallops well, ſhod all round, and branded on the near buttock E H. Whoever brings the ſaid horſes to me ſhall have 20s. reward for each.

2‖ CORNELIUS DEFOREEST.

BOSTON, *October* 17.

MONDAY last was sent into Salem, by capt. Forrester, a prize brig, with a large quantity of sea coal, and 1600 pieces of woollen cloths.

Sunday last capt. Silas Atkins sent into Cape Anne a ship with 450 quintals of green fish.

NEW LONDON, *October* 18.

LAST Monday a regiment of continental troops, commanded by col. Richmond, arrived here from Rhode Island.

The Montgomery privateer, belonging to Providence, has taken and sent into this port a schooner from Cape Nichola Mole bound to Halifax, having on board 9000 gallons of molosses, and 6000 wt. of sugar. The privateer had been out but 24 hours when she took this vessel.

We hear that the continental brig Cabot, capt. Elisha Hinman, has taken seven prizes.

We can assure the publick, that a letter from a person of distinction in New York has been intercepted, the writer of which informs his friend, that the regular army in the late encounters has lost 1200 men, and 100 officers killed.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 2.

BY our last accounts from Ticonderoga, we learn that on the defeat of our vessels on the lake under general Arnold, Crown Point, which was occupied as an out post, was evacuated by col. Hartley, who commanded there with part of his battalion, who were all the troops he had with him. They brought off all the cannon and military stores, and got safe to Ticonderoga in the evening of the 14th instant. That col. Waterbury, who, with a number of men, were taken in one of the gondolas on the lake, but were sent prisoners into their own states by Carleton, and general Arnold, with his party, got to Ticonderoga with col. Hartley. We also learn, that our force at Ticonderoga is near 10,000 effective men, and that the enemy's force is about 7000, and that our people were in hourly expectation of an attack.

From our army under general Washington, we learn that on the 23d instant a party of our people had a skirmish with some Hessians on the White Plains, in which they beat the enemy, killed 17 on the spot, and took 4 prisoners, together with a number of arms, &c.

Extract of a letter from Hispaniola, *Sept.* 4.

"All our ports are open to American vessels, and to all prizes taken by their privateers. Every thing that comes under continental colours will be well received. Our commandants have received orders to repair their fortifications, to keep their cannon loaded, and protect every vessel belonging to North America, and grant them every assistance."

Tuesday last was sent in here by the privateer brig Hancock, of this port, the brig polly, capt. Denny, from Barbados for Liverpool, with 60 hogsheads of sugar and 40 bales of cotton on board. This is the ninth prize taken by the Hancock since she sailed from this port.

Extract of a letter to Congress from Fort Lee (formerly Fort Constitution) dated October 28, 1776.

"A ship moved up the river early in the morning, above our lower lines, right opposite to Fort No. 1, near old head-quarters at Morris's. She began a brisk cannonade upon the shore. Col. Magaw, who commands at Fort Washington, got down an 18 pounder, and fired 60 rounds at her; 26 went through her. The gun was mostly loaded with two balls. She was annoyed considerably by two 18 pounders from the shore. The confusion and distress that appeared on board the ship exceeds all description. Without doubt she lost a great number of men. She was towed off by four boats sent from the other ships to her assistance. She slipped her cable, and left her anchor. Had the tide run flood one half hour longer, we should have sunk her. At the same time the fire from the ships began the enemy brought up their field pieces, and made a disposition to attack the lines; but col. Magaw had so happily disposed and arranged his men, as to put them out of conceit of that manœuvre. A cannonade and fire with small arms continued almost all day, with very little intermission. We lost one man only. Several of the enemy were killed; two or three our people took and brought off the field, and several more were left there. The firing ceased last evening, and has not been renewed this morning. The troops (of our army) are in good spirits, and in every engagement, since the retreat from New York, have given the enemy a drubbing.

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CHARLES THOMSON, sec'ry.

A copy of one of the letters lately lost by an express having been forwarded to Congress from head-quarters, the following is an extract from said copy.

OCTOBER 25, 1776.

"The situation of the enemy's army remains nearly the same as on the 21st instant; it differs in nothing, unless it is that their main body is more collected about New Rochelle. On Monday night a detachment of our men, under the command of col. Hazlet, was sent out to surprise and cut off major Rogers, if possible, with his regiment, which was posted there. By some accident, the expedition did not succeed as well as could have been wished; however, our advanced party, led on by major Green of the first Virginia regiment, fell in with their out guard, and brought off 36 prisoners, 60 muskets, and some blankets. The number killed is not ceraainly known, but it is reported by an officer who was there that he counted about 25. Our loss is two killed, and 10 or 12 wounded. On Wednesday there was also a small skirmish between a party of col. Hand's riflemen, about 240, and nearly the same number of Hessian chasseurs, in which the latter were put to the rout. Our men buried 10 of them on the field, and took two prisoners, one badly wounded. We sustained no other loss than having one lad wounded, supposed mortally.

Published by order of Congress.

CHARLES THOMSON, sec'ry.

Nov. 2. The armies under generals Washington and Howe did not come to a general engagement last Tuesday, as was expected. There was a cannonade, and a party of the regulars, who attacked our lines, were repulsed.

Extract of a letter from London, *July* 20.

"The ministry seem so confident of reducing the colonies with the formidable force which they have sent for that purpose, that they are already employed in devising means for keeping them in subjection after they have subdued them. Lately there was presented to the king a project for that purpose, which his majesty approved of. The proposal is to keep up 10,000 troops, of which two shall be battalions of artillery, and two of light dragoons; and to establish on the continent two *Bishopricks*, the titles of which shall be, the *Protectors of the English Church*. Such are the brilliant chimeras which are spread by the ministerial party, and which the opposite party are labouring to destroy, by publishing to the world, that the colonies, combating for liberty, will not yield but to force; that the force already sent out by the mother country, which at present appears irresistible, will soon be reduced to nothing, if the first consequences of it should not equal the expectations of administration. Dissatisfaction will soon succeed and diffuse itself through all ranks of people, already much fatigued with civil intestine war; that in this case the consequences must necessarily be very fatal to England, especially if strangers, taking advantage of these dissentions, and in support of America, should attack the most remote English settlements, and occasion a diversion, which will greatly weaken the power of Great Britain.

"It appears plainly already, that the formidable armaments which they are fitting out in the ports of France and Spain have no other object but war; that we may be convinced of this by the evasive answers given to our ambassadours at the courts of Versailles and Madrid, as we have them from their representations on that subject; that the distinguished marks of respect with which they have received the deputies of Congress in these two courts does not leave the least doubt that a treaty has been already formed between them and the Americans, the effects of which in all probability will be felt as soon as independence shall be declared, a period which cannot be at a great distance, since the resolutions sent to the General Congress by every of the United States to that effect are already publick. It is by these means that opposition seeks to weaken the specious reasonings which government employs, to warn the people of the melancholy consequences of the war, information which already begins to alarm the nation."

BALTIMORE, *Nov.* 4.

Extract of a letter from White Plains, *dated October* 28, 1776. *at* 12 P. M.

I HAVE only time to acquaint you, that since my arrival at the American camp we have had several successful skirmishes with the enemy, in which the latter have lost several hundred men, in killed and prisoners; 13 Waldeckers, 7 Britons, and two Tories, were yesterday taken prisoners, and brought into head quarters.

"This day, about 10 o'clock, the enemy advanced towards our lines, in full view of head-quarters, while a large body approached to the right. The first was soon dispersed by our artillery. The latter attacked several of our regiments on the right, when a warm engagement began, and now continues with great fury. To morrow, it is probable, will produce a general battle.

"Colonel Smallwood is just come in, wounded in the arm and hip, but not dangerously.

"I must not omit mentioning, that the enemy made an unsuccessful attempt against our lines at Haerlem yesterday."

Extract of another letter, dated in the evening of the above day.

"The post being detained by desire of the general, gives me an opportunity (with a wooded pen on a drum head) to acquaint you, that the part of our army which was engaged to-day was a brigade commanded by general M'Dougal, composed of Webb's, Ritzma's, Smallwood's, Hallet's, and Brook's regiments. Ritzma's and Smallwood's suffered most on this occasion, sustaining, with great patience and coolness, a long and heavy fire; and finally retreated, with great sullenness, being obliged to give way to a superiour force.

"The British army and auxiliaries are now encamped about one mile off our lines, and make a formidable appearance; but, from the spirit and temper of our troops, I augur well of the event of another attack, which it is expected will commence to-morrow morning."

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, *Nov.* 1.

"On Monday last the right wing of our army, consisting of five battalions, was attacked, and after an obstinate resis-

tance was obliged to retreat. Our loss, in killed, wounded, and missing, is about 500. Col. Smallwood is wounded in two places, but not mortally. On Tuesday a general engagement came on. Our lines were attacked with great fury, but we repulsed the enemy with great loss.—The 22d of October our garrison at Ticonderoga was well, and under no apprehension of being attacked."

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 15.

LAST night an express arrived from col. Christian, with letters to the Governour dated October 23d, giving an account of his having passed the Tenesee river on the 18th of that month, without any molestation from the enemy, and after marching through several Indian towns, at length arrived safely in the Island Town, the lowermost but one on the river, which he found had been precipitately abandoned, the Indians having only had time to carry off their clothes and the best of their household goods, with which they pushed off in canoes down the Tenesee. They left behind them their horses, cattle, hogs, fowls, and even dogs, with their whole crops of corn and potatoes, which the colonel learned was a very great one.—He expected at his camp in the Island Town, as next day, the Raven warriour of Chote, with Oucanastota, the Little Carpenter, and a number of other chiefs; having given them to understand, that if they did not immediately come in and make submission, and agree to such terms as he should deem to be reasonable, that he would lay waste all the towns, and pursue their fugitive countrymen as far as the Creek nation.

The colonel thinks it probable he may enter into a treaty with them, as he has good reason to believe that all the old warriours had been averse to the war, and that the rest were stirred up by Cameron, by bribes and threats.--Two of his scouts, on the road to Hywassee, found an old woman and two children in the woods, almost famished with hunger and cold, having been out six days and nights without fire ar provisions of any kind, except berries and haws. The soldiers took compassion upon the poor wretches, made them a fire, and gave them victuals.----They also met a young man who had lost his wife, and was then in search of her; they called to him to come to them, on which he clubbed his gun and came up. He informed, that the villain Cameron pushed off to the Creek nation as soon as he heard col. Christian had crossed Broad river.

Extract of a letter from a field officer in the third Virginia *regiment, dated camp at* White Plains, *October* 26, 1776.

"General Howe's head-quarters are at New Rochelle, his right wing extending towards Rye, and his left to East Chester and Frog's Point, with a large fleet before him; and has advanced four or five miles towards us, fortifying as he came. We are now about four miles asunder, and skirmishing every day, in all of which we have had the advantage. Poor major Green was unfortunately wounded in one of these affairs; for having intelligence of the famous major Rogers being advanced with 500 Tories, who have embodied under him, towards Maroneck, three miles from Rochelle, a plan was concerted to cut him off in the night, when 160 men from the 1st and 3d Virginia regiments, led on by the brave old major, composed the advanced guard, covered by 400 more under the command of major Haslet of the Delaware battalion, fell in with the enemy's Tory regiment. The major got wounded in the shoulder the first fire, when the command devolved on capt. John Thornton of our regiment, who soon did the business, leaving, by the light of the moon, 20 of them dead on the spot, and bringing off 36 prisoners, without the loss of a man on our side. Col. Haslet by this time getting up, and finding he was discovered, and that his guide had left him, ordered a retreat; but the traitor Rogers narrowly escaped himself, and has never since dared to venture from the main body. --We have got into the way of catching the Hessian devils of late, general Mercer having picked up 12 of them not long since, with 8 British regulars, on Staten island; since which, another party that he sent over brought off 7, and killed several, of that infernal band. General Lee, likewise, had a small bout with them last Tuesday evening, in which he took 3 prisoners, and covered 10 of them, lifeless, in the dirt. And one of our light horsemen brought in one of their grenadiers last night, who wore the most diabolical pair of whiskers I ever beheld.----The last division of these people arrived at New York last Sunday, and were immediately sent up to general Howe's army on the Sound, of which those that general Lee took and killed were part. They have been made to believe that no quarter would be given them by the Americans, and had all laid their account with the *rope* (a fit reward, indeed, for mercenary tools) as soon as they fell into our hands. They say they have been brought here against their inclinations, and were told by their prince they were only to garrison the king of England's towns, whilst his own people were to *scourge the rebels*.---Something of consequence must take place soon, of which (if I survive) I shall not not fail to give you an account; but, from the good spirit of our people, I cannot help *auguring* WELL *of its effects*."

The following gentlemen are appointed field officers to the six new battalions to be raised in this state on the continental establishment, viz ----- *Colonels*, Edward Stevens, Daniel Morgan, James Wood, Samuel Meredith, Charles Lewis, and David Mason, esquires.----- *Lieutenant Colonels*, Christian Febiger, John Gibson, Lewis Willis, John Neaville, Richard K. Meade, and James Innis, esquires.------- *Majors*, William Heath, Abraham Buford, Charles Simms, George Lyne, George Nicholas, and Holt Richeson, esquires.

Marriages] WILLIAM DREW, esq; clerk of Berkeley, to miss HANNAH POWELL, of this city.

Deaths.] Dr. ANDREW ANDERSON, of New Kent county; who was an agreeable companion, a steady friend, and---- an HONEST MAN.

*** The horses advertised in this Gazette, for which the owners are referred for the names of the takers up to the clerk of *Dinwiddie*, were posted, the first mentioned, by *Henry King*, living on *Namazeen*, the other by *Drury Wells*.

*** In the advertisement published by mr. *Edward Darnaby*, the 18th ult. for JAMES BEDD, read JAMES REDD, of whom he purchased the tract of land mentioned in the said advertisement.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE subscribers to the SLOOP PACKET are desired to meet at the *Raleigh* on *Friday* the 22d of this instant.

STOLEN *from the subscriber in* Augusta, *about the* 10*th of* November 1775, *a bright bay horse, unbranded*, 8 *or* 9 *years old, with a small star in his forehead, part of one of his hind feet white, is a natural pacer, but can trot and gallop; he was seen this fall about* 13 *miles from* Richmond, *up towards* Augusta, *and is supposed to be owned by some person in those parts. Also a bay mare about* 17 *years old, a natural trotter, branded on the near shoulder* 3, *and on the near buttock C. Whoever secures the said horse and mare, so that I get them again, shall have* 6 *l. for the horse, and* 4*l. for the mare.* ‖ *GEORGE CRAIG.*

To be SOLD to the highest bidder, at Gilley's, *the seat of the late capt.* William Gregory, *in* Charles City *county, on* Thursday *the* 28*th of this instant* (November)

EIGHT likely SLAVES, all the household and kitchen furniture, consisting of choice beds and their furniture, tables, chairs, and almost every other necessary article, mostly new, and very elegant; also the stocks of horses, cattle, hogs, and sheep, together with the crop of corn, wheat, and fodder, belonging to the said estate. Fifty pounds cash must be raised by the sale, and afterwards 18 months credit will be allowed for all sums over 25s. upon giving bond and approved security, to carry interest from the date, if not punctually paid to

(2) JOHN GREGORY } executors.
FRANCIS IRBY, }

N. B. It is again requested of the creditors of the said *William Gregory* to acquaint us, before or at the day of sale, with the nature and amount of their several demands, to enable us to make out a proper state of the account.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Williamsburg*, on the back street south side of the *Capitol*, *DANIEL HUMPHREYS*, a *Welsh* indented servant, a tailor by trade, middle sized, about 26 years of age, of a pale complexion, with long light coloured hair, commonly clubbed behind, and halts exceedingly in his walk; had on when he went away a brown coat with metal buttons, a buff jacket and black breeches, a fashionable new cocked hat, and had a silver watch. Whoever apprehends the said servant, and conveys him to me, shall have FIVE DOLLARS reward, and be allowed all reasonable charges. ‖ SAMUEL HARRIS.

By virtue of a decree of the Hon. COURT of ADMIRALTY of this state, will be sold at publick vendue, for ready money, on *Monday* the 25th instant, at *Jamestown*, on *James* river, about 7 miles from the city of *Williamsburg*,

THE *brigantine SARAH of* Great Britain, *lately made a prize of by the* Montgomery *privateer, captain* Polk, *of* Annapolis, *in the state of* Maryland, *with her sails, rigging, and materials, being* 170 *tuns burthen*, British *built. An inventory of her sails, rigging, and materials, may be seen on board the said ship — At same time and place will be sold her cargo, consisting of a large quantity of exceeding good* Jamaica *RUM*, Muscovado *SUGARS, COFFEE, GINGER, COTTON, and sundry other articles, shipped on board the said ship from* Jamaica *for the* London *market.*

BEN: POWELL, marshal.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 1, 1776.

To be SOLD to the highest bidder, on the premises, pursuant to order of Caroline *court, and agreeable to the will of mr.* John Watts, *deceased, late of said county, on* Thursday *the* 28*th instant* (November)

SEVERAL tracts or parcels of exceeding good LAND nearly adjoining, containing about 380 acres, lying on *Mattapony* river, within 3 miles of *Caroline* courthouse, whereon is a neat little dwelling-house with convenient out-houses, and the plantation in good order for cropping. Mr. *Thomas Laughlin*, who lives on the land, will show it to any person inclining to purchase, therefore a farther description is unnecessary. The purchaser will have 12 months credit, upon giving bond and security to

‖ JOHN BUCKNER, sheriff.

N. B. All persons indebted to the said *John Watts*, deceased, for goods bought of mr. *Richard Watts*, or otherwise, are desired to take notice, that the monies are to be paid to JOHN BUCKNER.

To be RENTED,

A PLANTATION in the lower end of *Charles City*, on *James* river, between *Sandy Point* and the warehouſe, whereon are a good dwelling-houſe, with four rooms below and two above ſtairs, with fire places in each, a good kitchen, and other out-houſes, with an extraordinary good apple orchard. The terms may be known of the Printer, or the ſubſcriber, near the premiſes.

2‖ MARY EMERY.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, on Thurſday *the 1ſt of* December next, *on the premiſes,*

A TRACT of rich level land in *Culpeper* county, containing 204 acres, whereon are houſes, orchards, *&c.* alſo the crop of corn, wheat, and tobacco, with houſehold and kitchen furniture, ſuch as beds, chairs, tables, cheſts, *&c.* Any perſon inclining to purchaſe the land before the day of ſale may know the terms of mr. *French Strother*, or the ſubſcriber.

‖ WILLIAM FIELD.

INDIAN FIELDS, CHARLES CITY, *October* 20, 1776.

HAVING *purchaſed a place agreeable to my wiſhes, I would willingly ſell the following tracts of land*, viz. *About* 500 *acres near the mouth of* Queen's *creek, on* York *river, three miles below* Wiliamſburg. *The ſituation is very high and beautiful, and the land good for any thing. Beſides the advantages of fiſh and oyſters, it affords a moſt excellent range for ſtock. Alſo* 526 *acres in* James City *county, within five miles of the city, whereon is a great quantity of the beſt kind of fire wood. A farther deſcription of the above places is needleſs, as any perſon inclinable to purchaſe had better view them. For terms apply to me.*

(4) JOHN TYLER.

N. B. I will take negroes in part, and will divide the *James City* land ſo as to make two good places to ſuit any who may chooſe to ſell wood.

ANY *gentleman who has* Muller's *New Syſtem of Mathematicks, ſometimes called* Muller's *Elements of Mathematicks, Gunnery, &c. 24 copperplates, 2 vols. of his Conick Sections, and his Field Engineer, will, if diſpoſed to ſell, receive double price for them, or any one of them, at mr.* Purdie's *printing-office; or, if any gentleman who has them is not willing to ſell, a military gentleman would be glad to borrow for a few months.*

HAMPTON, *October* 29, 1776.

THE publick is hereby informed, that the ſubſcriber keeps the FERRY as formerly, to *Norfolk, Naniſemond*, and the *Eaſtern Shore*, where gentlemen ſhall have their horſes, carriages, *&c.* conveyed with the greateſt care by

JOHN JONES.

STOLEN from the ſubſcriber, living on the north fork of *Roanoke*, in *Botetourt* county, on *Wedneſday* the 18th of *September*, a light coloured gray horſe about 7 years old, 14 hands high, trots and paces, and is branded thus HG, but I do not remember on which ſide. Whoever brings ſaid horſe to me, or ſecures him ſo that I may get him again, ſhall have 40s. reward, and 5l. on conviction of the thief. The perſon who ſtole the horſe calls himſelf *William Jones*, ſays he was born in the weſt of *England*, and that he had followed the ſea. He is about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, was much troubled with the fever and ague, and looks ſickly; had on a copperas coloured cotton coat, coarſe linen jacket and trouſers, bad ſhoes, and ſpeaks in the weſt country dialect. It is believed he was a deſerter from ſome of the regiments belonging to *Virginia*.

‖ FREDERICK SMITH.

I HAVE *received inſtructions from the* CONGRESS *to contract for ſupplying the continental troops with proviſions for the enſuing year; the* 2d *and* 7th *regiments to commence the firſt day of* December *next, and the troops that are about to be raiſed as ſoon as they are collected. Thoſe who are deſirous to engage in this buſineſs are requeſted to meet me in the city of* Williamſburg *on* Friday *the* 21ſt *inſtant, with their propoſals.*

WILLIAM AYLETT, D. C. G.

ALEXANDRIA, *October* 10, 1776.

I INTEND to leave the colony immediately.

WILLIAM HUNTER, jun.

TAKEN up in *Amherſt*, a red pied heifer about 3 years old, unmarked, and has very ſmall horns. Poſted, and appraiſed to 50s.

‖ *Henry Trent.*

TAKEN up in *Dunmore*, a black mare about 7 years old, about 13 hands a half high, branded on the near ſhoulder W, and on the near buttock B. Poſted, and appraiſed to 7l.

‖ *Auguſtine Woolf.*

TAKEN up in *Charlotte*, a white mar about 4 feet 5 inches high, paces ſlow trots, and branded on the near buttock S. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l. 10s.

‖ *John White.*

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, on the *Rapidan* river, three ewes and one wether, two of of the ewes marked with a ſwallow fork and overkeel in the right ear, a crop and ſlit in the left, the others unmarked. Poſted, and appraiſed to 28s.

‖ *John Lowin.*

TAKEN up in *Amherſt*, a light bay mare 5 or 6 years old, 4 feet 5 or 6 inches high, has a ſmall ſaddle ſpot on the off ſide of her back, branded on the near ſhoulder A, and on the near buttock C. Poſted, and appraiſed to 18l.

‖ *Joſeph Wilſher.*

TAKEN up in *Amherſt*, a red ſteer about 2 years old, marked with a ſwallow fork and underkeel in the right ear, and an underkeel in the left, with a ſmall bit cropped off the end of the ear. Poſted, and appraiſed to 30s.

‖ *Lucy Childreſs.*

TAKEN up in *Spotſylvania*, on *Pamunkey* river, near *Davenport's* ford, a black mare about 4 feet 7 inches high, about 8 years old, paces ſlow, has one hind foot white, and branded on ſhoulder and buttock S B. Poſted, and appraiſed to 12l.

‖ *William Davenport.*

TAKEN up in *Pittſylvania*, on *Sycamore* creek, a dark bay mare 9 or 10 years old, about 4 feet 3 inches and a half high, has a long mane and ſwitch tail, ſome ſaddle ſpots, branded on the near ſhoulder P, on the near buttock 5, and has a ſmall bell on; alſo a ſmall ſorrel colt about a year old, about 4 feet 1 inch and 3 quarters high, has a blaze in his face, is dockt, but neither cut nor branded. Poſted and appraiſed, the mare and bell to 6l. 2s. 6d. and the colt to 3l.

‖ *William Spriggins.*

TAKEN up in *Dunmore*, a bay mare about 5 years old, between 13 and 14 hands high, and branded on the off ſhoulder S; alſo a two year old colt. Poſted and appraiſed, mare and colt, to 15l.

‖ *John Stout.*

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, near *Lynch's* ferry, a brindled cow 3 years old, with a white face, three white feet, and part of her tail white. Poſted, and appraiſed to 50s.

‖ *John Rucker.*

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, on *Falling* river, a large young ſorrel mare, a natural pacer, with a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, is dockt, and branded on the off buttock I D. Poſted, and appraiſed to 20l.

‖ *John Jones.*

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, a ſorrel horſe with a blaze face, many ſaddle ſpots, his near hind foot white, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, branded on the near buttock R G, and had on a bell marked G B. Poſted, and appraiſed to 55s.

‖ *Joſeph Whitehead.*

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, a black mare 4 feet 5 inches high, about 7 years old, with a ſtar in her forehead, ſome ſaddle ſpots on the near ſide, a ſmall white ſtreak on each ſide, ſuppoſed to be cut with a rope, branded on the near ſhoulder with a blotched P, and on the near buttock B. Poſted, and appraiſed to 10l.

‖ *Francis Kirtley.*

TAKEN up in *Henrico*, near the *Brook*, a ſmall brindled and white ſteer about 2 years old, with a piece of her tail cut off, and is unmarked. Poſted, and appraiſed to 20s.

‖ *Thomas Owen.*

TAKEN up in *Charlotte*, a ſorrel horſe about 10 years old, 4 feet 8 inches high, with a blaze face, one hind foot white, branded on the near buttock IC, and on the off buttock IL in a piece. Poſted, and appraiſed to 7l.

‖ *Henry Hines.*

TAKEN up on the *Little Fork* in *Culpeper*, a bay mare about 7 years old, about 4 feet high, with hanging mane and ſwitch tail, ſeveral ſaddle ſpots on each ſide of her back, branded on the off ſhoulder I, and on the off buttock, not very plain, reſembling the latter part of an M. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l.

‖ *Henry Coones.*

TAKEN up in *Stafford*, a light brindled bull 7 years old, marked with two crops and three ſlits, and has been here two years laſt *May*. Poſted, and appraiſed to 55s.

‖ *William Mullens.*

TAKEN up on *Green Brier*, in *Auguſta*, a dark brindled ſteer 4 years old, with ſome white in his face, and has a ſhort tail. Poſted, and appraiſed to 3l. 5s.

Lawrence Drennen.

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, two work ſteers; one a red brindle, much ſcarred on the back, the ends of his horns ſawed off, has a bob tail, marked with a crop and ſlit in the right ear, and an underkeel and hole in the left; the other black, much ſcarred on the back likewiſe, has ſawed horns, the tip of the right horn but half ſawed off, bob tailed, marked with a hole and underkeel in the right ear, and a crop and ſlit in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 8l.

‖ *James Rouſſau.*

TAKEN up in *Henrico*, near *Richmond*, a dun coloured bay mare about 10 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high, with a ſtar in her forehead, a roached mane and ſhort tail, and branded on the near buttock A. S. Poſted, and appraiſed to 10l.

‖ *Charles Price.*

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, on the *Little Fork*, two yearlings; one a dark brown heifer, marked with a crop in the left ear, the other a pale red and white ſteer, of the ſame mark. Poſted, and appraiſed to 40s.

‖ *Samuel Duncan.*

TAKEN up in *James City*, a bay horſe 9 or 10 years old, about 14 hands high, ſhod before, but has no brand. The owner may have him, paying charges of

Thomas Cartwright.

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